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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Thomas R. Winston, et al.
Serial No.: 09/539,015
Filed: March 30, 2000
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR GUIDING A GUIDE
WIRE

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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is: Amendment in Response to Office Action Dated November 7, 2001 (11 pgs.); Submission of Marked Up Claims (3 pgs.); Certificate of Express Mail (1 pg.); and Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant
☒ claims small entity status.
☐ is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) ✓

(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<u> </u> first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<u> </u> second month	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<u>✓</u> third month	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<u> </u> fourth month	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00
<u> </u> fifth month	\$1,960.00	\$ 980.00

Fee: \$ 460.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

 An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ 460.00.

OR

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL	MINUS	=		x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$
INDEP.	MINUS	=		x \$42 = \$		x \$84 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$130 = \$		+ \$280 = \$
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

- (b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. _____ Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____
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FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

- ☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
7. _____ Other:

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